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SUBJECT: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAMMING  
POLICY NO.: 800-06  
EFFECTIVE DATE: March 6, 1975

**BACKGROUND:**

The City Council annually allocates funds for the construction of various capital facilities within the City of San Diego to provide public improvements for the health and safety of its citizens and improve the quality of urban life. This allocation is established through the Capital Improvements Program. It is essential to insure that services and facilities are responsive to people's needs, goals and development plans of the City.

The Capital Improvements Program is an important vehicle in managing growth and implementing the adopted General Plan and community plans. The long-range policy implications of such a program requires that it be fully supportive of the basic planning objectives for the City. Inasmuch as financial resources for the provision of capital improvements are limited, the formulation of the Program also requires utmost coordination among the various participating City Departments in order to maximize the effectiveness of public investments and commitments.

**PURPOSE:**

To establish a procedure for the formulation of the Capital Improvements Program that insures the full integration of long-range planning into the process.

**POLICY:**

It is the policy of the City Council that the annual preparation of the Capital Improvements Program shall be primarily based upon the adopted General Plan and community plans and adopted growth management strategies.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

To insure implementation of this policy, the following process shall be followed:

1. The City Manager shall be responsible for developing and maintaining an updated inventory of long-range capital projects. This inventory shall include the anticipated needs as identified by the various participating Departments.
2. The Planning Department shall review the above Inventory in cooperation with the City Manager. This cooperative effort will establish the initial city-wide priorities in accordance with the goals and objectives of adopted growth management strategies. The priority outline shall then be utilized to specifically guide the preparation of the Capital Improvements Program by the City Manager. The Planning Department shall have further responsibility in reviewing the Capital Improvements Program to insure conformity with the priority outline.

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3. The Capital Improvements Program shall be submitted through the Planning Commission to the City Council for adoption.

HISTORY:

Adopted by Resolution R-212741 03/06/1975